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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005–06 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1017

Introduced by Assembly Member Cogdill

February 22, 2005

An act relating to hazardous waste. to add Section 374.9 to the Penal Code, and to add Chapter 2.7 (commencing with Section 48208) to Part 7 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, relating to waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1017, as amended, Cogdill. Hazardous *and solid* waste: illegal disposal of methamphetamine.

Existing

(1) Existing law prohibits the disposal of any hazardous waste if the disposal is at an unpermitted facility or unauthorized point. A person who is convicted of knowingly disposing of hazardous waste at an unpermitted facility or unauthorized point is subject to imprisonment in a county jail for not more than one year or by imprisonment in the state prison.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would make the dumping of methamphetamine, methamphetamine byproducts, and all related hazardous materials, on agricultural land, a felony. provide that any person who causes the disposal of any methamphetamine, methamphetamine byproduct, or any related hazardous chemical into or upon any agricultural land, as defined, is subject to imprisonment in the state prison for a term of 12 months, 2 years, or 3 years, and by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$10,000. The bill would create a state-mandated local program by creating a new crime.

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(2) Existing law requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to implement and administer various solid waste disposal and cleanup programs, including, among others, the Solid Waste Disposal and Codisposal Site Cleanup Program and the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program, for the purpose of ensuring the safe and appropriate cleanup and disposal of solid waste at specified sites.

This bill would establish the Illegal Dumping Prevention Program within the board, for the purpose of developing alternatives to dumping, funding targeted illegal dumping enforcement and related judicial processes, conducting public outreach and education, providing training, and coordinating the program with other existing cleanup programs administered by the board. The bill would require that the program be funded with grant funds, and would authorize the board to hire staff to administer the program.

(3) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no-yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Legislature declares its intention to enact
- 2 SECTION 1. Section 374.9 is added to the Penal Code, to 3 read:
- 4 374.9. (a) For purposes of this section the following 5 definitions shall apply:
- 6 (1) "Agricultural land" means any land used for the purpose 7 of producing an agricultural commodity for commercial 8 purposes.
- 9 (2) "Disposal" has the same meaning as defined in Section 10 25113 of the Health and Safety Code.
- 11 (3) "Hazardous chemical" means a chemical that is used or
- 12 intended to have been used in the manufacture of
- 13 methamphetamine, the possession of which is prohibited by
- 14 Section 11383 of the Health and Safety Code.

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(b) Any person who causes thedisposal of any methamphetamine, methamphetamine byproduct, or any related hazardous chemical into or upon any agricultural land is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for a term of 12 months, two years, or three years, and by a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50) nor more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

SEC. 2. Chapter 2.7 (commencing with Section 48208) is added to Part 7 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, to

read:

Chapter 2.7. Illegal dumping prevention program

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- 48208. The Illegal Dumping Prevention Program is hereby established within the board, for the purpose of developing alternatives to dumping, funding targeted illegal dumping enforcement and related judicial processes, conducting public outreach and education, providing training, and coordinating the program with other existing cleanup programs administered by the board.
 - 48209. (a) The program shall be funded with grant funds.
 - (b) The board may hire staff to administer the program.
- SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution.
- 31 legislation that would make the dumping of methamphetamine,
- 32 methamphetamine byproducts, and all related hazardous
- materials, on agricultural land, a felony. 33